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TO USINT ALGIERS

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:ESTC, BEXP,AG

SUBJECT: ALGERIAN REQUEST FOR AMMO EXPORT LICENSE

REFS : ALGIERS 1795, 1799 AND STATE 158615, 153501

1. DEPT CONTINUES TO BELIEVE WE SHOULD NOT LICENSE SALE OF AMMO TO ALGERIA AT THIS TIME FOR REASONS CITED STATE REFTELS. IN WRITTEN REPLY TO GOA, SUGGEST USINT SIMPLY STATE THAT IT IS USG POLICY NOT TO LICENSE EXPORT OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION TO COUNTRIES WITH WHICH IT DOES NOT HAVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. WINCHESTER INTERNATIONAL HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THIS DECISION AND GIVEN REASON STATED ABOVE.

2. FYI: DEPT IS PUZZLED BY GOA ASSERTION THAT USG FAILURE TO LICENSE THIS SHIPMENT MEANS THAT US IS NOT "DEPENDABLE SOURCE OF SUPPLY." IF THIS MEANS THAT US CANNOT BE COUNTED ON IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES TO SUPPLY ARMS AND AMMUNITION TO ALGERIA, THIS IS CORRECT, AND WE BELIEVE IT IS BETTER TO MAKE THIS POSITION CLEAR NOW BY DENYING LICENSE FOR THIS SHIPMENT RATHER THAN ENCOURAGING OTHER GOA REQUESTS FOR MUNITIONS WHICH WOULD BE DENIED. HOWEVER, USG HAS SUPPORTED AND ENCOURAGED GROWING ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL RELATION-
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SHIP BETWEEN US AND ALGERIA AND DEPT MADE SPECIAL EFFORT TO

OBTAIN PERMISSION AT HIGHEST LEVELS OF USG FOR RAYTHEON TO
OFFER AIR DEFENSE/AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL RADAR SYSTEM. USG
REFUSAL TO LICENSE SALE OF ARMS AND/OR AMMO IN NO WAY

AFFECTS OUR DEPENDABILITY AS A SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR THESE
NON-LETHAL ITEMS. WE FIND HAMDANI'S INFERENCE THAT TRADE
IN ARMS IS PART OF NORMAL ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL RELATIONS A
BIT INGENUOUS. END FYI. ROGERS

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